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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chief, DPD-DD/P

THROUGH : Chief, Special Projects Branch, DPD-DD/P *g. 24*

SUBJECT : Comments on WEP-IV Commander's Report - April 1961

1. Ref paragraph 4. A: The "Operational Ready Rate" is computed by dividing the number of hours the aircraft is in commission by the number of hours possessed. It reflects "flying" capability only. It does not reflect the capability of an aircraft to fly [] missions because all of them do not have the necessary wiring, cabling and brackets installed. This deficiency is being corrected by ECP 79-2 (System VI Modification).

In order to present a more accurate picture of a unit's true operational capability, it is recommended that only those aircraft which are able to fly and operate the following systems and configurations be reported as "Operationally Ready":

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Aircraft which are flyable but not capable of operating any one of the above systems or configurations should be reported as "Flyable - ANE" (Aircraft Not Fully Equipped).

2. Ref paragraph 10: The following recommendations are made on disposition of the various hatches:

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a. []

b. P-479 (Weather). SPA/DPD and Security, DPD have concurred in deleting the Weather Package as an operational or cover requirement. We are directing the return of this equipment to the Air Force.

c. P-88 (Blank). These hatches are part of the 760-1 equipment for each aircraft and must be retained.

d. P-553 ("B" and System VI). These hatches are authorized on the basis of one per aircraft and are now carried as part of the 760-1 equipment.

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Additional P-553 hatches are on order for those aircraft which lack same.

e. P-240 (A-2). Disposition of this hatch depends on whether there is a continuing requirement for the A-2 Camera Configuration. Recommend this equipment be placed in Depot storage if there is only a potential need for it. If there is no need for the A-2 Configuration, disposition action should be initiated on all of this equipment.

f. P-151 (A-1). The A-1 Configuration is apparently obsolete. Recommend disposal of this equipment.

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3. It is requested that SVA/DPD submit recommendations concerning retention of the A-1 and A-2 Camera Configurations. Material will take action on disposition of this equipment upon receipt of these recommendations.

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